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Forest Drive Pedestrian Accident

Location of Incident: Forest Drive near Hilltop Lane

Date & Time: June 21, 2016 @ 12:33 a.m. Motor Vehicle #1: 2013 BMW X3, SUV

Driver of Motor Vehicle #1: James Bruce, 74, of Annapolis, MD

Injuries: None

Pedestrian #1: Tyrell Hansley, 32, of Annapolis, MD

Injuries: Life Threatening, Transported to University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center

Pedestrian #2: Christale Cooper, 26, of Annapolis, MD

Injuries: Serious, Transported to Anne Arundel Medical Center

At 12:33 a.m. officers responded to a report of two pedestrians struck on Forest Drive near Hilltop Lane. A BMW X3 being driven by James Bruce was traveling southeast on Forest Drive prior to the intersection with Hilltop Lane when the vehicle struck Tyrell Hansley. Mr. Hansley appeared to be crossing Forest Drive and was not in a crosswalk.

Mr. Bruce stopped his vehicle after striking Mr. Hansley and reversed his vehicle to return to the accident. After reversing, Mr. Bruce exited the vehicle and the vehicle rolled and struck Christale Cooper, who was with Mr. Hansley.

Mr. Hansley was transported to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center with life threatening injuries. Ms. Cooper was transported to Anne Arundel Medical Center with serious injuries. Mr. Bruce was arrested after his performance on standardized field sobriety tests indicated that he had been driving while impaired by alcohol. Mr. Bruce was issued citations for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving while impaired by alcohol, and driving with suspended registration.

The investigation into the accident is ongoing. The driver's impairment by alcohol and pedestrian error appear to be factors in this crash. If you have any information about this incident please contact Officer Hil O'Herlihy at 410-268-9000 ext. 5817 or https://html.ncident.ncid